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The Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today that the formal Canadian Instrument of Acceptance of the International Wheat Agreement is being deposited in Washington today. The Agreement was signed by Canada on April 13, 1953. Under the terms of the Agreement, which is to become effective on August 1, Instruments of Acceptance must be deposited with the United States Government not later than July 15, 1953. It is understood that Canada is the first signatory to the new Agreement to deposit its Instrument of Acceptance.

Resolutions approving Canadian participation in the new Agreement were passed by the House of Commons and the Senate during the session of Parliament which ended last week.